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3. Although it is rumored that up to five thousand professional people have fled Chile since Allende's election, many knowledgeable individuals believe this figure to be very high.

Apparently the decision was made by most conservatives to remain in the country to fight Allende's program of socialization.

4. The Allende Government has been conducting an intense investigation of the murder in October 1970 of Commander in Chief of the Army, General Rene Schneider. It is expected that some kind of public information on the results of this investigation will be available shortly. [redacted] indicated that the kidnapping of Schneider was planned by a Rightist group as a prelude to replacing key Army officials with men who would have prevented Allende from taking office.

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the plot backfired because a Communist who had the Rightist movement infiltrated and was a member of the kidnapping team, intentionally shot Schneider in order to abort the plot which he was quite successful in doing.

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